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Tadamasu HATTORI et al. : **Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH**  
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**TREATING METHOD FOR**  
**COATING MATERIAL WASTE WATER** :

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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: